

**Capital Circle Southwest
Community Representative (CR) Meeting 7
June 14, 2007
5:30-7:30**

Meeting Attendees

Community Representatives – Chris Dinklage, Linda Sims-Davis, Alice Simmons, Laurie Thomas, Linda Nicholzen, Scott Hannahs, Rick Grant, Russell Daws, and Darrin Taylor
Blueprint 2000 – Paul Hiers, Margie Quillman, and Autumn Calder
KHA Team – Raymond Ashe, Steve Godfrey, and Ryan Wetherell

Notes

The meeting began at 5:42 PM. Steve Godfrey started the meeting thanking the CRs for their time commitments up to this point. He then asked if anyone had observations from the charrettes that they would like to discuss. Linda Sims-Davis said that she was surprised by some of the passionate people in her neighborhood who were dead set against moving the road from its existing alignment. She also said that having a community representative at each table during the charrette was helpful. Attendants from her neighborhood felt that they had an opportunity to be heard. Alice Simmons felt that there was tension during Thursday night's charrette, but that by Saturday the mood had gelled.

Steve Godfrey began a discussion of the alignments that came out of the charrette. He also mentioned that the alignment/intersection at Springhill Road will be sent to the CRs.

Existing Alignment

There was a clarification on the direction description. Steve Godfrey explained that when KHA talks about right and left of the road they start at the Crawfordville Road intersection and move North and West to the Blountstown Highway intersection.

New Alignment Eastern

Steve Godfrey discussed an alignment that went East of Black Swamp and Lake Henrietta and that it was dropped from further study due to residential and wetland impacts and intersection geometry. We will send out a map to the CR members showing the eastern alignment.

Steve Godfrey clarified that impacting the airport may be an option. There was a discussion on impacting 4F lands; then a discussion ensued as to what 4F lands were. Raymond Ashe clarified the description of 4F lands as being public lands managed for recreational uses.

New Alignment Central

Steve Godfrey described the alignment of Segment 3 through the central corridor study area.

Russell Daws asked if this alignment allowed for reclamation of wetlands. Steve Godfrey answered that studies are underway to determine where those opportunities were the greatest and more rain is needed to complete these studies.

Darrin Taylor asked if the existing land uses were identified and used in the placement of the new alignment. Steve Godfrey answered that they were identified and used in determining the alignment. Darrin Taylor then asked if it was possible to impact the industrial area rather than people's homes. Steve Godfrey answered that avoidance and minimization of project impacts and environmental justice issues would be considered.

Alice Simmons asked if the alignment will run into the Orange Avenue pump station. Steve Godfrey answered that the new alignment may affect a treatment facility in the back corner of Lake Bradford Estates.

Chris Dinklage asked if the new alignment would have water and sewer. Steve Godfrey answered that the study is not far enough along yet to know.

New Alignment North

Steve Godfrey described the Alignment Segments 4a, 4b, 4a1, 4b1 & 4c as shown in the CR handouts.

Russell Daws asked about whether or not the intersection of Orange Avenue and Lake Bradford would be kept with this alignment. Steve Godfrey answered that KHA is looking at options for connections at different points, and the intersection may be abandoned.

Alice Simmons mentioned that a stop light should be placed at the existing intersection of Capital Circle and Lake Bradford.

Russell Daws asked about the entrance to the museum. Steve Godfrey replied that the entrance will still be from Orange Avenue..

Laurie Thomas asked if Springhill Road will be the gateway to downtown from the airport. The group agreed that it already is the gateway.

Russell Daws asked if it would be possible to do a traffic study on Rankin Road near the museum. Steve Godfrey said that he would look into it.

General Discussion

Russell Daws asked if all the proposed alignments eventually connect to the existing Capital Circle. Steve responded positively.

Scott Hannahs made two comments. He suggested that KHA and BP2000 start talking to the Leon County Water Resources Committee because of the similar projects and the possibility of sharing information. He has contact information when needed. The second suggestion was to read and use as a reference "Atlas of Urban Impacts of North FL Lakes" by Skip Livingston.

After this discussion Steve Godfrey handed out slices of cake.

Evaluation Criteria

Raymond Ashe began the discussion, and a question was raised by Russell Daws about discerning the difference between the criteria within the categories. Raymond Ashe answered that the evaluation criteria is not an exact science and the categories are subjective, but if the method is consistent the results should be reliable.

Darrin Taylor asked if the State of Florida and the Federal priorities are built into the evaluation criteria. Raymond Ashe answered that their priorities are being addressed as the study progresses.

Alternatives for Meeting Location

Steve Godfrey announced that the meeting location will have to change, and two locations are proposed. One is the Tallahassee Museum and the other is the Blueprint 2000 office. The group voted to meet at the Tallahassee Museum for the August 9th meeting.

Interim Community Meeting

Steve Godfrey made the suggestion for an additional community meeting to be held in September or October. The Group agreed.

Community Concerns

Russell Daws wanted to know if more newsletters will be mailed. Steve Godfrey answered that there will be at least three more before February.

Russell then asked if the PD&E Study is looking at the Scenic Byway Master Plan. He suggested that the goals of the PD&E study could be shared with the Scenic Byway Master Plan. Steve Godfrey said that he will get more information on that from Oxo Slayer.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30.